

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENT**

Applicants have amended Claims 4, 5, 6, 10, 11 12, 18 and 22 to conform with the Examiner's recommended changes to overcome the objections to Claims 2-6 and 9-22, with the following exceptions:

The Examiner's proposed amendment to Claim 4, line 15 is redundant and not necessary since Claim 4 defines  $n$  as a fixed integer value on line 6 and  $q$  as a fixed integer value on line 8.

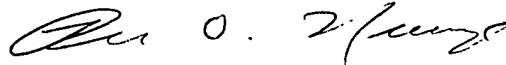
The Examiner's proposed amendment to Claim 5, line 17 is redundant and not necessary since Claim 5 defines  $n$  as a fixed integer value on line 6 and  $q$  as a fixed integer value on line 8.

The Examiner's proposed amendment to Claim 9 line 11 is redundant and not necessary since Claim 9 defines  $n$  as a fixed integer value on line 5 and  $q$  as a fixed integer value on line 7.

The Examiner's proposed amendment to Claim 22 line 20 is unduly restrictive since there is nothing in the specification or drawing figures that requires that i be an integer.

Claims 2-6 and 9-22 have been amended to overcome the objections. Applicant respectfully request allowance of the application as the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron O. Neerings", written in a cursive style.

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